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An apparatus for removing adhesive or other contaminants from a hand trowel.

Two embodiments are disclosed, each including a body having a slot extending through at least a portion thereof, and through which the trowel blade is drawn for cleaning.

- 5 A pair of opposing scraping blades is mounted to the body, on either side of an entry end of the slot. The blades are maintained in spaced relation, a distance approximating the thickness of the trowel blade. In one embodiment, the body includes, at one end, a handle for gripping. The underside of the body may also be attached to another blade, having a special scraping edge on its forward portion. In this configuration, the first embodiment performs yet another cleaning function, as a floor scraping tool. In the other embodiment, 10 the body is structurally integrated with a reservoir, or trough, adapted for mounting over a portion of the lip of a bucket containing adhesive. The other embodiment also includes a separate scraping knife, for cleaning the planar underside of the trowel. The trough contains and confines the scraped-off adhesive, to prevent fouling of the fresh adhesive in 15 the bucket.